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Here is TCEQ desk statement, EPA approved, just published. Carmen

From TCEQ Web:

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/response/tpc-port-neches-plant-fire>

TPC Port Neches Plant Fire

TCEQ is currently responding to the fire at the TPC Plant in Port Neches.

Currently TCEQ staff are conducting handheld monitoring and providing that information to Unified Command. TCEQ will also provide all updates through social media and this webpage. Regional staff are continuing to conduct handheld monitoring outside the evacuation zone with Ultraraes. This handheld equipment provides instantaneous readings for various compounds, including volatile organic compounds, benzene, lower explosive limit, hydrogen sulfide, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, radiation. No impacts to water quality have been reported.

TCEQ has requested EPA's support, including ASPECT fixed winged aircraft. EPA is sending an on-scene coordinator and technical support personnel to the site. TCEQ contractors are en route and will also provide air monitoring support. All data will be provided to local officials through Unified Command for them to make important decisions on warnings and evacuations.